GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA

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Funds Released to States
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Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

(a) the funds released to the States for various schemes/programmes of his Ministry during each of the last two years, State-wise and year-wise;

(b) whether the funds released to the States are being utilized by them as per the prescribed norms; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the corrective steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER FOR PANCHAYATI RAJ
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in parts (a) to (c) of the reply to the Lok Sabha Starred Question No.74 to be answered on 21.07.2016

(a): The details showing funds released during each of last two years, State wise & year wise, under Rajiv Gandhi Panchayat Sashaktikaran Abhiyan (RGPSA) and Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF) are at Annexure-I and II, respectively. The District component of BRGF has been delinked from budgetary support of central government w.e.f. 2015-16.

(b) & (c): Under RGPSA, the funds are released to States/UTs on the basis of Annual Plans in accordance with the norms of RGPSA subject to unspent balances as well as utilisation certificates received from them. Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR) monitors the implementation of programme through progress reports, utilisation certificates, audit reports, periodic communications, meetings, workshops, etc. to ensure proper utilisation of funds under the programme.

The implementation of BRGF at the ground level was being done by the respective State Governments. Besides physical & financial audit at the end of the financial year, social audit of the works done under the programme was also being carried out. The MoPR took periodical reviews with the States, held Video Conferences to monitor the implementation of this programme.

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